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In re application of)
	E. Marlowe Goble)
Serial No.:	09/970,559) Art Unit
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For:	METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR RECONSTRUCTING A LIGAMENT)
Examiner:	Javier G. Blanco)

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that the shortened statutory period which was set for responding to the Office Action dated December 1, 2004, in the above-identified patent application be extended for three-month until June 1, 2005.

Form PTO-2038 submitting Credit Card Payment in the amount of \$510.00 is enclosed herewith for payment of the fee associated with this Petition, as set forth in 37 CFR § 1.17. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fee or to credit any overpayment in

06/03/2005 ZJUHAR1 00000009 09970559 01 FC:2253 510.00 DP connection with this Petition to Deposit Account No. 23-3178. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefore and charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. 23-3178.

Dated this 31st day of May 2005.

Respectfully submitted,

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